



Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Group Art Unit 2174, Expedited Procedure

03560.002669.

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: L. V. Nguyen  
KOJI NAKAGIRI ET AL. )  
: Group Art Unit: 2174  
Application No.: 09/698,254 )  
: Filed: October 30, 2000 )  
: For: INFORMATION PROCESSING )  
: APPARATUS, INFORMATION )  
: PROCESSING METHOD, AND )  
: STORAGE MEDIUM STORING )  
: COMPUTER-READABLE PROGRAM ) April 16, 2004

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In response to the Office Action of January 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin on page 15.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	* 22	MINUS	** 25	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 4	MINUS	*** 4	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						\$0
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- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100 or by facsimile at (212) 218-2200. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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